



PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 8750-015
Client No. SPX200108-0008US

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In re application of: Kyu-Nam Lim Conf. No. 7534
Serial No. 10/075,472 Examiner: Nguyen, Viet Q.
Filed: February 13, 2002 Art Unit: 2818
For: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND DATA
 READ METHOD THEREOF

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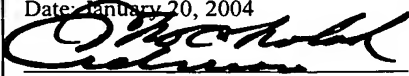
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**APPLICANT'S COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR ALLOWANCE**

The applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing all of the pending claims over the prior art. In discussing the allowed subject matter, the Examiner has recited a feature present in independent claim 1, and stated that the claimed invention was not taught by the prior art.


The applicant would like to note that it is a well known tenet of patent law that patent claims are read as a whole, rather than phrase by phrase or element by element. Therefore, the scope of the allowed claims is not necessarily limited to only the claim elements that the Examiner reproduced, but rather, to the language of the claims themselves, in their entirety.

In addition, the applicants note that there are three independent claims allowed in this case, as well as dependent claims that depend from some of the allowed independent claims. Each of these allowed claims includes particular features and particular claim language, and therefore each may have a scope different from the others allowed in this case.

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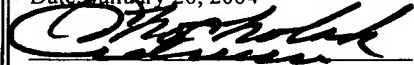
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